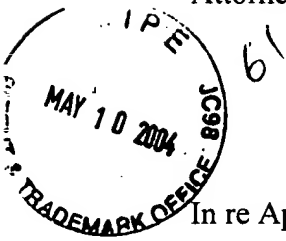


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, this Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 12, 2003. Submitted herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time for three months extending the due date for response to May 12, 2004. Applicants respectfully request amendment of the application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

Please amend the application as follows: